

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A housing for an electronic system, the housing comprising:
 - 2 an opening operable to hold an attachment; and
 - 3 a passage having a first opening adjacent to the opening, having a
 - 4 second opening, and operable to hold a communication medium that
 - 5 extends between the first and the second openings.
- 1 2. The housing of claim 1 wherein the conduit includes an auxiliary opening
2 adjacent to the second opening.
- 1 3. The housing of claim 1 wherein the housing includes:
 - 2 a back comprising the opening, and
 - 3 a top covering the passage.
- 1 4. The housing of claim 1 wherein the passage includes an auxiliary opening
2 adjacent the second opening.
- 1 5. The housing of claim 1 wherein:
 - 2 the passage includes an auxiliary opening adjacent the second opening,
 - 3 and
 - 4 the housing includes a top covering the passage, and a cap operable to
 - 5 close the auxiliary opening.
- 1 6. The housing of claim 1 wherein the passage is substantially straight.
- 1 7. The housing of claim 1 wherein the passage is substantially rectangular.
- 1 8. The housing of claim 1 wherein:
 - 2 the first opening has an area,
 - 3 the second opening has an area, and
 - 4 the area of the first opening does not equal the area of the second
 - 5 opening.
- 1 9. The housing of claim 1 wherein:

2 the first opening has an area,
3 the second opening has an area, and
4 the area of the first opening is smaller than the area of the second
5 opening.

1 10. The housing of claim 1 wherein the passage tapers

1 11. The housing of claim 1 wherein:

2 the housing further comprises a storage compartment, and
3 the second opening opens to the storage compartment.

1 12. The housing of claim 1 wherein:

2 the housing further comprises a storage compartment, and includes a top
3 covering the passage, and
4 the passage includes an auxiliary opening through the top, and the
5 second opening opens to the storage compartment.

1 13. An electronic system, comprising:

2 an attachment; and

3 a housing defining an opening in which the attachment is mounted and
4 defining a passage having a first opening adjacent to the attachment,
5 having a second opening, and operable to hold a communication
6 medium coupled between the attachment and a device external to the
7 housing.

1 14. The system of claim 13 wherein the communication medium comprises a
2 cable.

1 15. A computer system, comprising:

2 an attachment; and

3 a housing defining an opening in which the attachment is mounted and
4 defining a passage having a first opening adjacent to the attachment,
5 having a second opening, and operable to hold a communication

6 medium coupled between the attachment and a device external to the
7 housing.

1 16. A method for coupling an external device to an attachment of an electronic
2 system, the method comprising:

3 inserting a communication medium in a passage having a first opening
4 adjacent to the attachment and a second opening adjacent to the
5 external device;

6 connecting the communication medium to the attachment; and

7 connecting the communication medium to the external device.

1 17. The method of claim 15 wherein inserting the communication medium
2 includes extending the medium through the first opening and the second
3 opening.

1 18. The method of claim 15 wherein inserting the communication medium
2 includes extending the medium through the first opening and an auxiliary
3 opening in the passage.

1 19. The method of claim 17 further comprising supporting the external device on
2 top of a storage compartment.

1 20. The method of claim 15 further comprising storing the external device in a
2 storage compartment.